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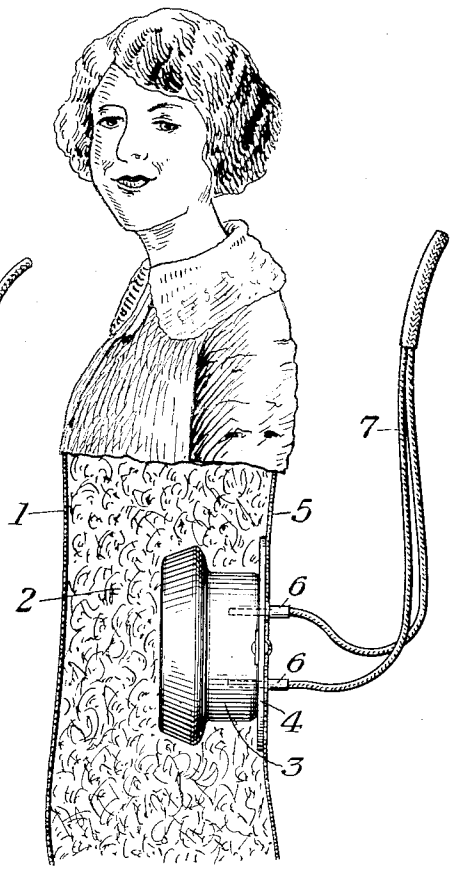
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Fig. 1.



Fig. 2.



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The present invention relates to radio speaking dolls, and more especially to a radio speaking doll representing a radio story telling character and containing a radio speaker unit adapted to be connected to a radio receiving set.

Many radio broadcasting stations have a socalled "children's hour" during which bedtime stories are broadcasted for the children. These bedtime stories are frequently told by some character, for example, one well known radio station has its stories told by the "Sunshine Girl," another by "Uncle Mack," another by "Daddy Winkum" and another by "Uncle Kay-Bee," etc.

I make a doll which will represent one of the radio story telling characters and put into the doll a radio speaking unit which may be connected with the radio receiving set. The set may be then tuned into the radio station during the story telling hour and the children who listen will be delighted to hear the story apparently told by the doll representing the radio broadcasting story telling character. Of course, the same doll can be used to amuse the children with bedtime stories from different radio stations, or, if the family income will allow, a number of dolls may be used when the radio is tuned into different broadcasting stations.

While it is preferred to have the doll represent the bedtime story telling character of the radio station most frequently listened to by the children, the doll might represent any other convenient story telling character not necessarily the one of the particular station, for example, a conventional character, such as that of a young woman, might be employed to tell the stories to the children from any number of stations. The doll does not necessarily need to be a human character, as, for example, it might be an animal, such as the well known rabbit "Uncle Wiggley."

In the drawings, I have indicated one character which may be taken as a conventional young woman or as the "Sunshine Girl."

In the drawings:

Figure 1 is an elevation of the radio speaking doll; and

Figure 2 is a side view, partly in section, showing the application of the radio speaker unit.

Referring to the embodiment of the invention illustrated in the drawings, the doll 1 may be of any suitable sort or character and the body may be made as is usual with dolls to contain an excelsior stuffing 2. A radio speaker unit 3, preferably a loud speaker, is placed in the body. In case of an excelsior stuffed doll, the sound waves from the speaker unit will readily pass out through the body. In the case of dolls having rubber bodies, sounds may pass out through suitable openings, as, for example, the mouth of the doll. As shown in the drawings, the speaker unit is preferably fastened by means of a plate 4 to the fabric body 5 of the doll at the doll's back. The radio speaker unit is preferably formed with sockets into which may be pushed the connectors or jacks 6 of the connecting wires 7 from a radio receiving set. When the connections are removed the doll may be used by the children as an ordinary plaything, but when the bedtime story hour arrives, the doll will serve the double function of further amusing the children by telling the bedtime stories.

While the preferred embodiment of my invention has been specifically illustrated and described, it is to be understood that the invention is not so limited, but may be otherwise embodied within the scope of the following claim:

I claim:

A doll having a fabric body stuffed with fibrous material, a radio speaker concealed within the body of the doll and having a plate secured to the fabric body of the doll and within the body, there being jack receiving openings in the speaker as well as through the plate and body for receiving the jacks connected to the ends of a cord for connecting the radio speaker to a radio receiving set.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand.

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